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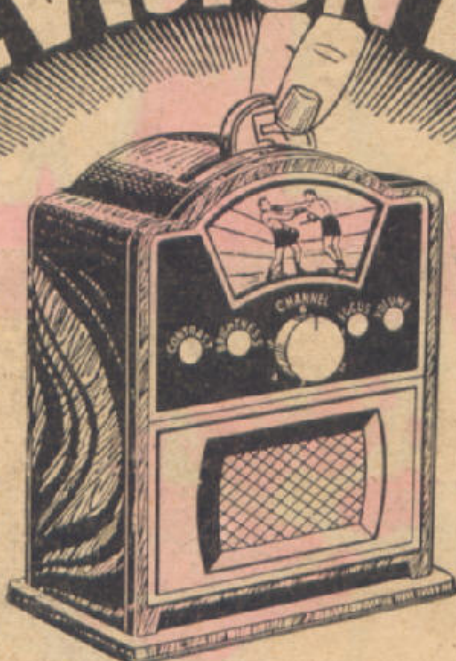
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STRAIGHT ARROW

THE MAN IN THE STAGE HAD A STRANGE AND VIOLENT TALE—AND HIS EYES NARROWED VENGEFULLY AS HE TOLD IT! BUT THEN HE RODE ON TOWARD AN EVEN GREATER ADVENTURE...AND A STARTLING REVELATION—FOR STRAIGHT ARROW HAD TAKEN A HAND IN THE AFFAIR OF—

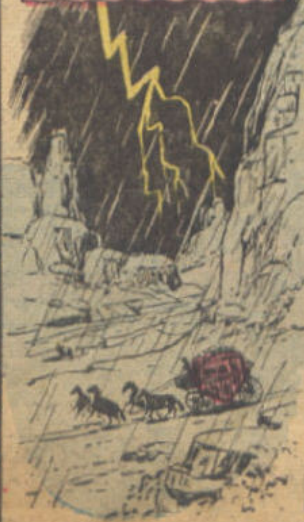
"THE HUNTER AND THE HUNTED!"



THE DRIVER OF THE STAGE HAS BEEN GOING TWO DAYS WITHOUT RELIEF. HE SWAYS SLEEPILY—REINS HANGING LOOSELY FROM HIS HANDS...

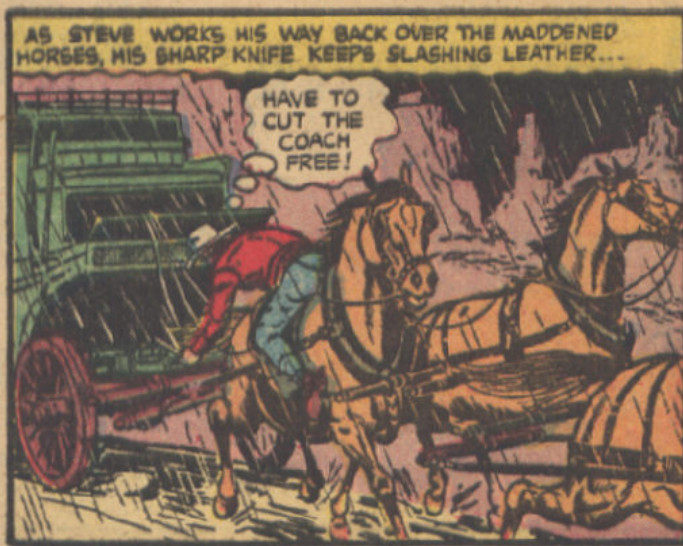
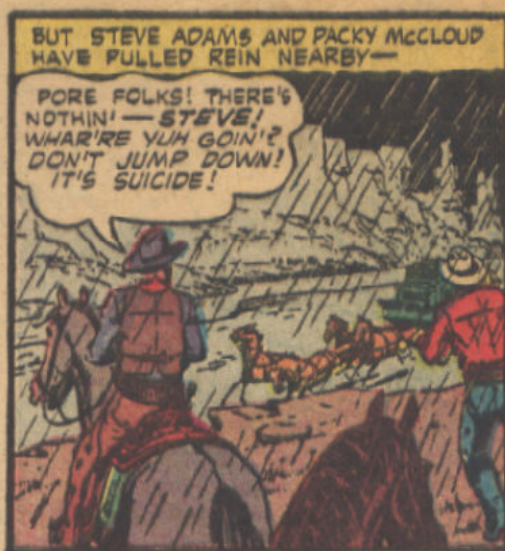


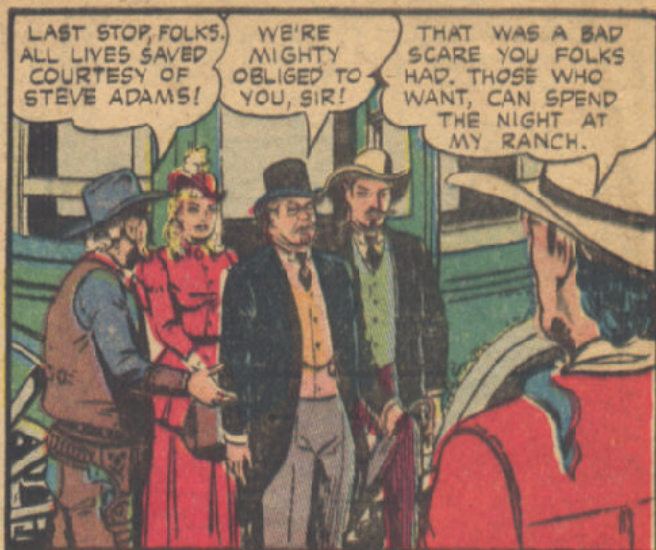
SUDDENLY A THICK BLACK CLOUD SPITS A SEARING BOLT OF LIGHTNING!

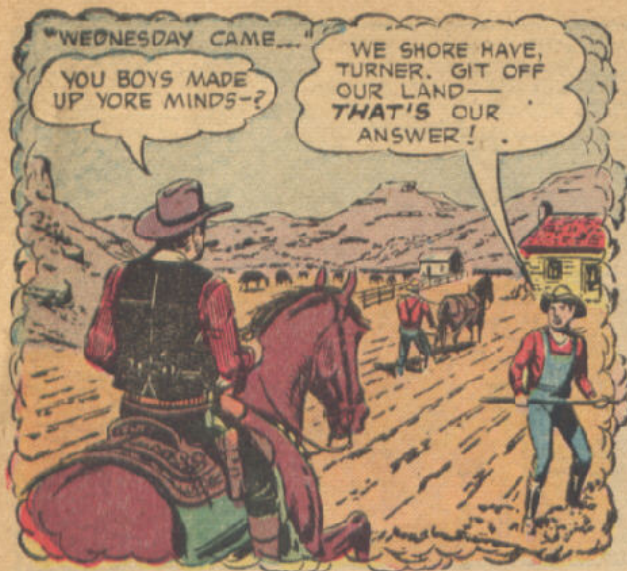


AND THE STAGE'S TEAM BOLTS FRENZIEDLY—TUMBLING THE DRIVER FROM HIS PERCH!





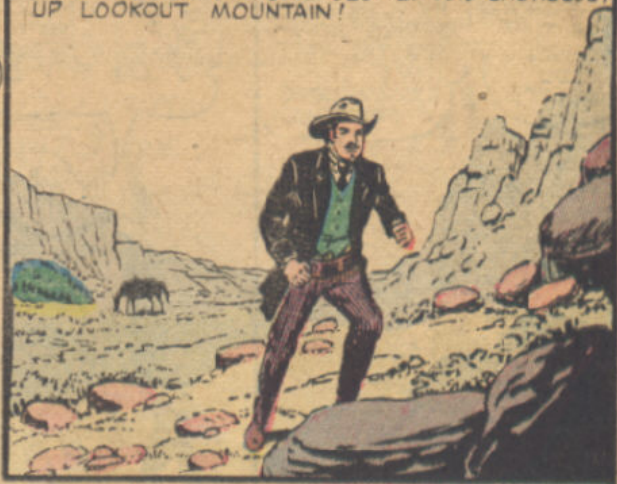




I SHOULD'VE KNOWN
THAT HERMIT WAS
RUNNIN' AWAY FROM
SUMPTHIN'—THUH
WAY HE'S SKEERED
TO SPEAK TO FOLKS.

I'LL BE MIGHTY
OBLIGED TO YUH,
MR. McCLOUD, IF
YUH'LL SHOW ME
EXACKLY WHAR
LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
IS...

AND SO—TWO DAYS LATER—THE MAN FROM THE
STAGE BEGINS CLIMBING SLOWLY AND CAUTIOUSLY
UP LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN!



HE IS NEAR THE
HERMIT'S CAVE NOW,
CRAWLING TORTUROUSLY
FORWARD...



HIS EYES NARROW
VENGEFULLY AS HE
SEES THE HERMIT.
SLOWLY... SLOWLY...
HE DRAWS THE
KNIFE...



THE RISING BLADE
GLINTS EVILLY IN
THE SUNLIGHT...

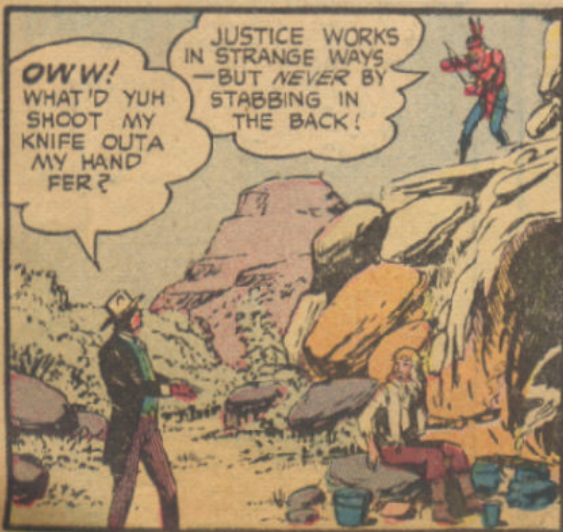


BUT SUDDEENLY THE
MAN FROM THE
STAGE CRIES OUT
IN SURPRISE AND
SHOCK!



OWW!
WHAT'D YUH
SHOOT MY
KNIFE OUTA
MY HAND
FER?

JUSTICE WORKS
IN STRANGE WAYS
—BUT NEVER BY
STABBING IN
THE BACK!

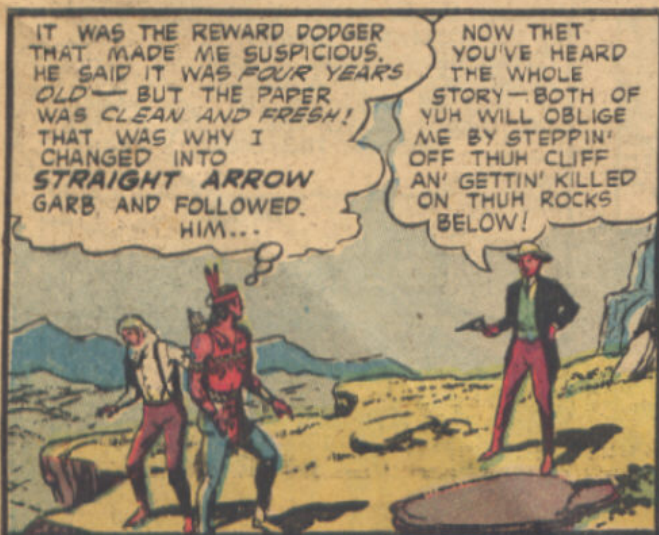
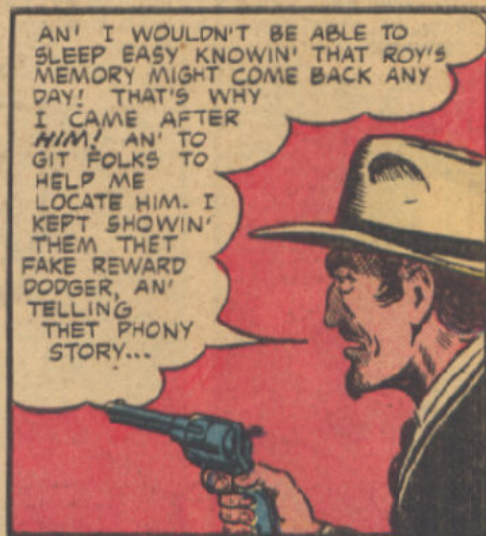
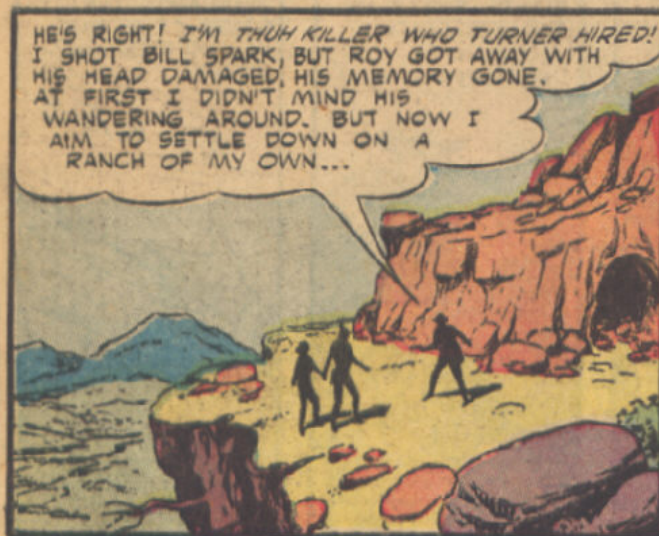


I AM **STRAIGHT ARROW**, A
COMANCHE WARRIOR. I HAVE
HEARD YOU HUNT A KILLER.
IF THIS BE THE MAN LET
US TAKE HIM TO THE
SHERIFF TOGETHER!

WHO
ARE YOU?

TH—
THAT
MAN!
H—HIS
FACE!
I KNOW
HIS FACE!





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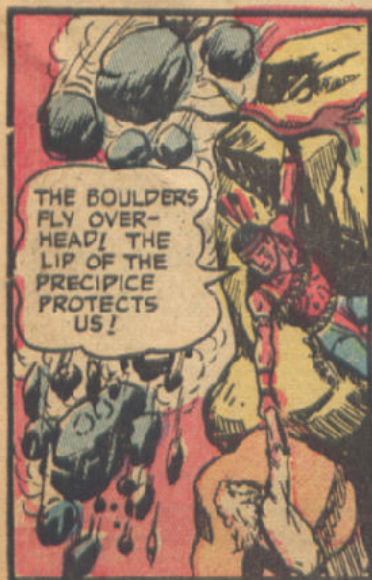
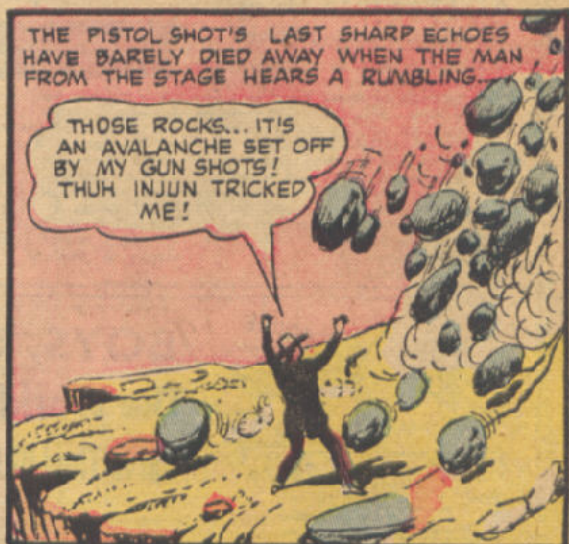
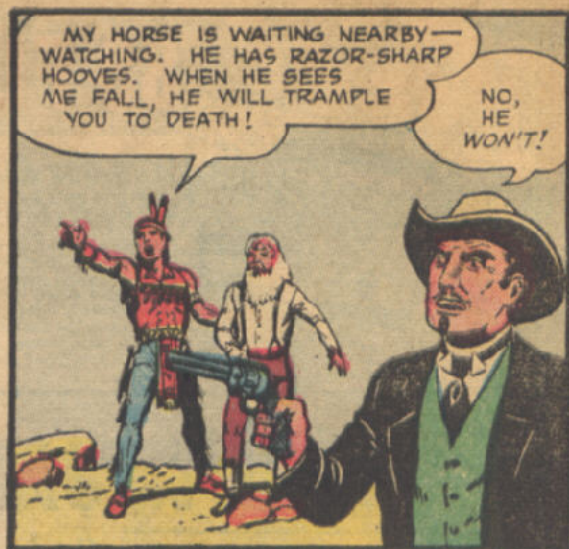
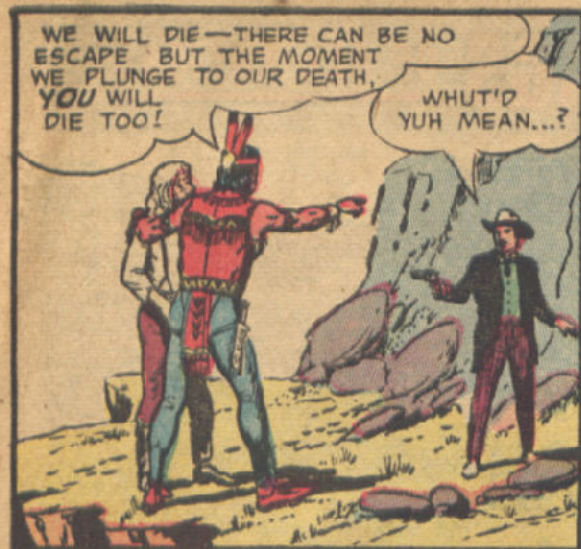
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above: people dining in, meeting and shopping this summer at the Port GARD VESSELS

SEND NO MONEY... We Trust You

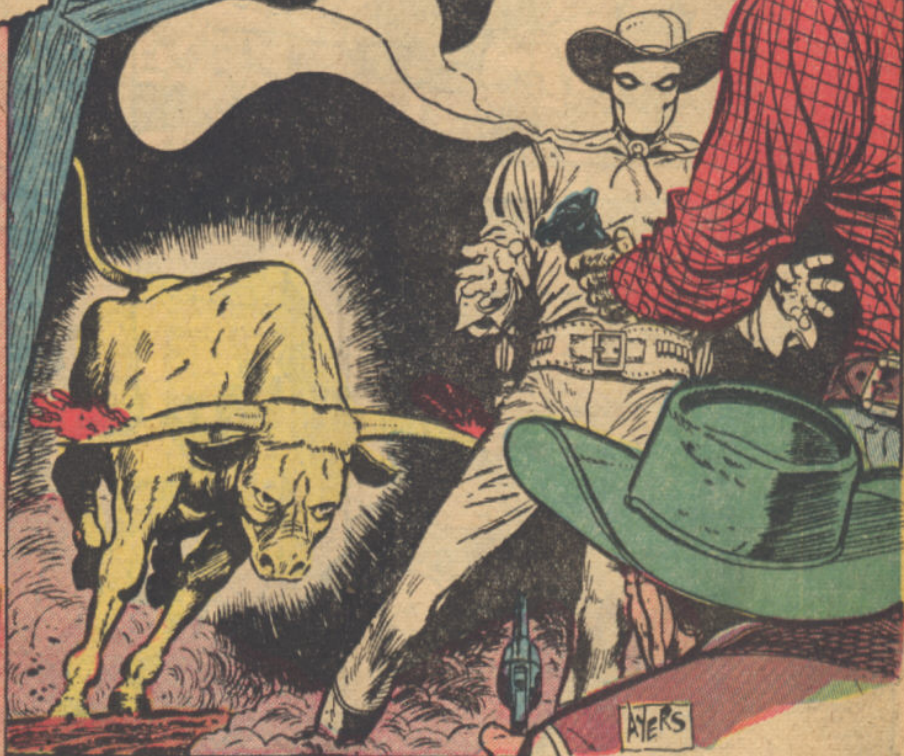


GHOST RIDER

the

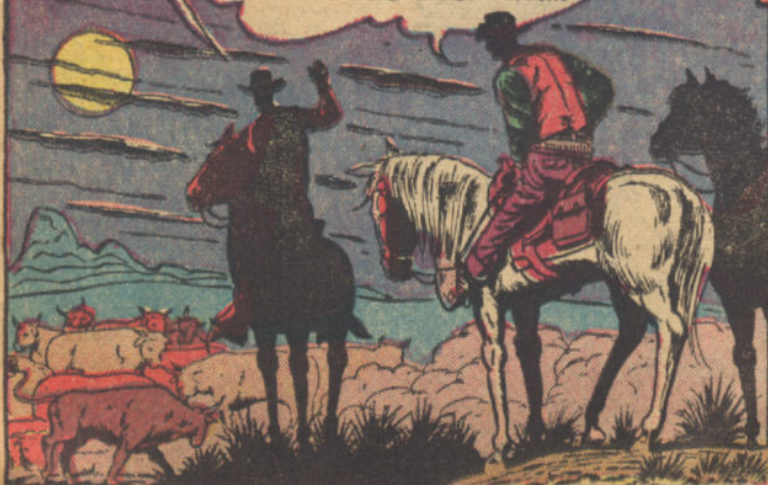
STAMPING
AND SNORTING,
HIS RAZOR-
SHARP HORNS
DRIPPING RED,
**THE PHANTOM
BULL** CAME
OUT OF THE
NIGHT TO DEAL
A HORRIBLE
DEATH TO ALL
WHO STOOD
IN HIS PATH.
EVEN **THE
GHOST RIDER**
FELT THE CHILL
HAND OF DEATH
UPON HIS BROW
WHEN HE SAW

" **THE
HORNS
OF
HORROR!** "



EVERYTHIN'
QUIET, MEN?

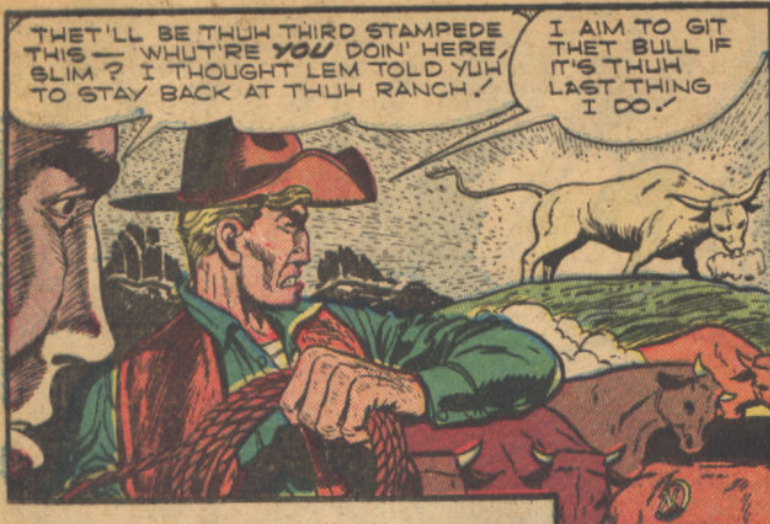
NOTHIN' TO WORRY
ABOUT, LEM. THUH
HERD'S SO PEACEFUL,
YUH KIN HEAR CACTUS
NEEDLES DROPPIN'...



BUT, TWO
HOURS LATER—

AKEEEEE!
THAR COMES
THUH PHANTOM
BULL!





THEY'LL BE THUH THIRD STAMPEDE THIS — WHUT'RE **YOU** DOIN' HERE, SLIM? I THOUGHT LEM TOLD YUH TO STAY BACK AT THUH RANCH!

I AIM TO GIT THET BULL IF IT'S THUH LAST THING I DO!



MISS LIZ'S BEEN LOSIN' TOO MANY STEERS. I PROMISED HER DAD I'D LOOK AFTER HER...

BUT SUDDENLY, OUT OF THE NIGHT GALLOPS A GRIM RIDER IN BLACK!



AIN'T NUTHIN' WE KIN DO BUT TRY TO ROUND UP THUH HERD. THAR'LL BE SOME MISSIN', OF COURSE — LIKE THAR ALWAYS IS...

PLIP!

THE NEXT MORNING —

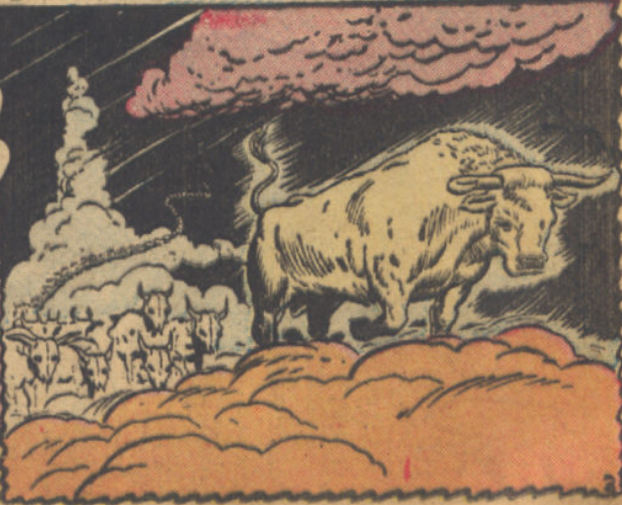


THIS...⁵⁰⁸⁴ IS AWFUL, LEM. WHEN MY DAD DIED, HE SAID I SHOULD KEEP HIS OLD COWHANDS ON — BUT THEY'VE BEEN GETTIN' KILLED, ONE BY ONE...

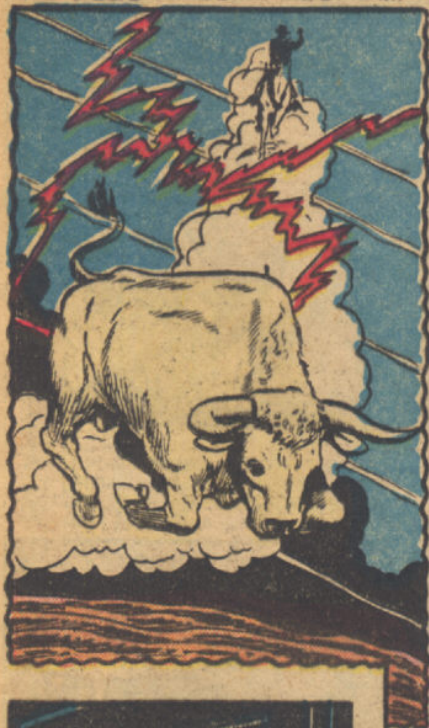
SLIM TRIED TO ROPE THE PHANTOM BULL, MA'AM — THET'S WHY IT HAPPENED...

NOW MEBBE YUH'LL BELIEVE WHUT I'VE BEEN TELLIN' YUH ABOUT THIS HERE PHANTOM BULL, MA'AM. HE AIN'T NUTHIN' TO TRIFLE WITH. AN' THAR'S NO WAY OF FIGHTIN' HIM...

...WAY ON THUH OTHER SIDE OF THUH GREAT DIVIDE, ROAMS A PHANTOM HERD. THUH BULL IS THEIR LEADER...



"THUH BULL KEEPS TRAVELLIN' DOWN TO EARTH TO GIT MORE CATTLE FOR HIS HERD. BUT HE DOESN'T COME ALONE ""



"THUH RIDER IN BLACK COMES ALONG WITH HIM, HE STANDS GUARD OVER THUH BULL, AN' THROWS HIS FIRE-KNIVES AT ANYONE WHO TRIES TO HARM IT ""



"YOU MAY BE RIGHT, LEM— BUT IT'S HARD TO SWALLOW. I'LL BE GONE FOR A FORTNIGHT. WATCH AFTER THE RANCH AS BEST YOU CAN."

"YUH KIN DEPEND ON ME, MA'AM."



"IN TOWN, VERY LATE THAT NIGHT, A GNARLED FIST RAPS URGENTLY ON THE DOOR OF REX FURY, FEDERAL MARSHAL."



"BUT AT THAT MOMENT, HOOPS RUMBLE THUNDEROUSLY BY— AND A FLAMING KNIFE HURTTLES THRU THE AIR."



"WHAT'S WRONG?"

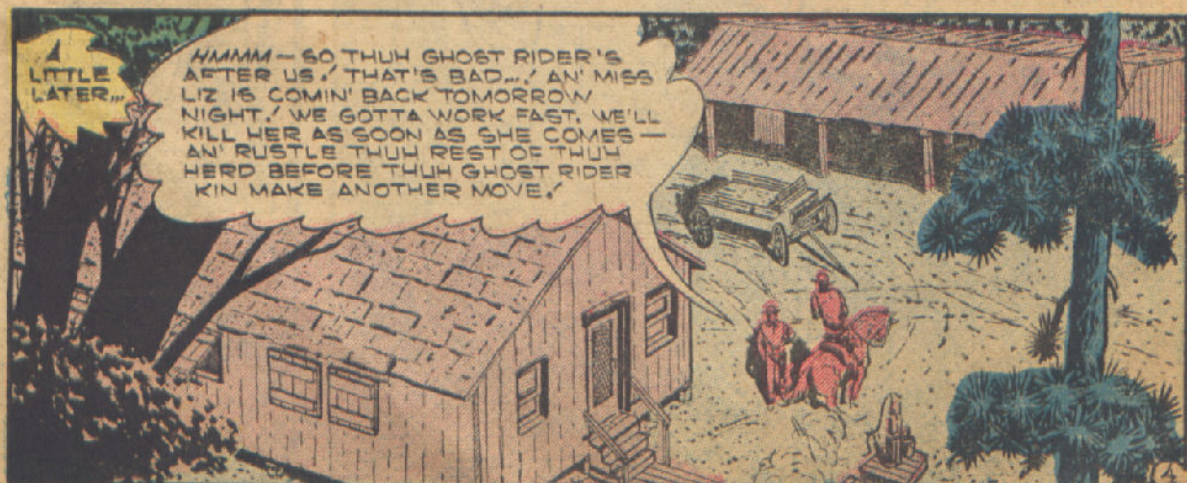
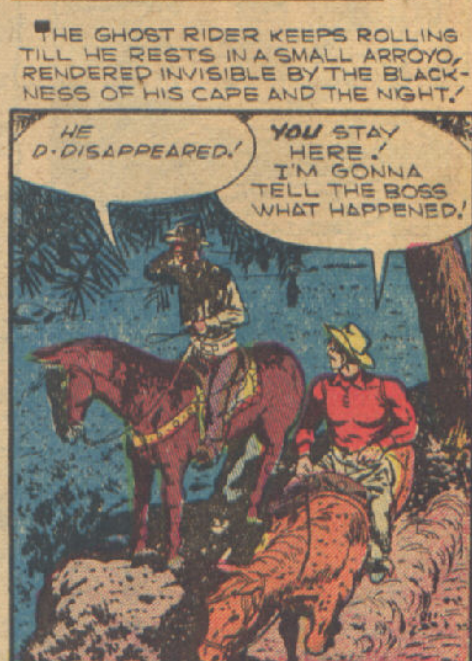
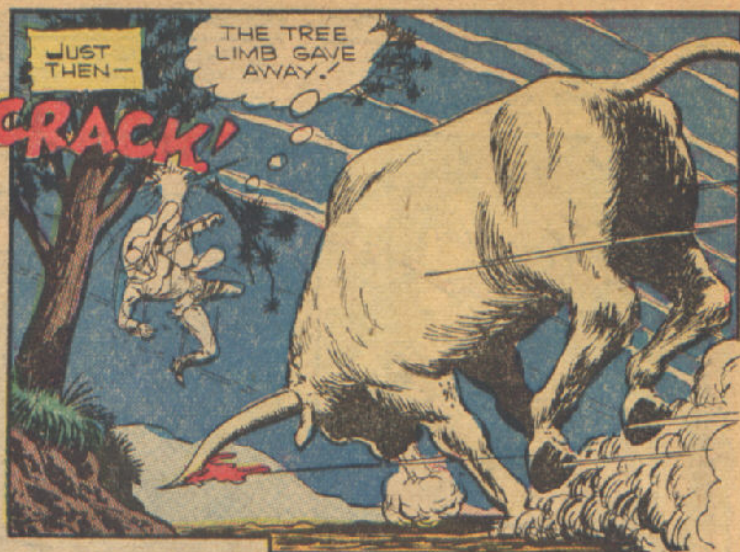
"I GOTTA TALK FAST, MARSHAL—I THINK I'VE BEEN FOLLOWED! NOW LISTEN ME AN' SLIM WERE THUH LAST OF THUH OLD HANDS AT LIZ NELSON'S RANCH. SLIM'S DEAD NOW AN—"



"THIS, ADDED TO THE STRANGE TALES I'VE BEEN HEARING ABOUT THE GOINGS-ON AT LIZ NELSON'S RANCH, MAKES ME THINK THE GHOST RIDER HAD BETTER TAKE A HAND ""



SO THE GHOST RIDER KEEPS A LONELY VIGIL OVER LIZ NELSON'S HERD. AND A FEW NIGHTS LATER—



TOMORROW COMES...AND SO DOES LIZ, UNAWARE THAT DEATH AWAITS HER...



THE RIDER IN BLACK SLOWLY LIFTS A GLEAMING KNIFE... TAKES CAREFUL AIM...



AS THE KNIFE WHIZZES TOWARD THE UNSUSPECTING GIRL, IT BURSTS INTO FLAME!



BUT BEFORE THE BLADE REACHES HER—



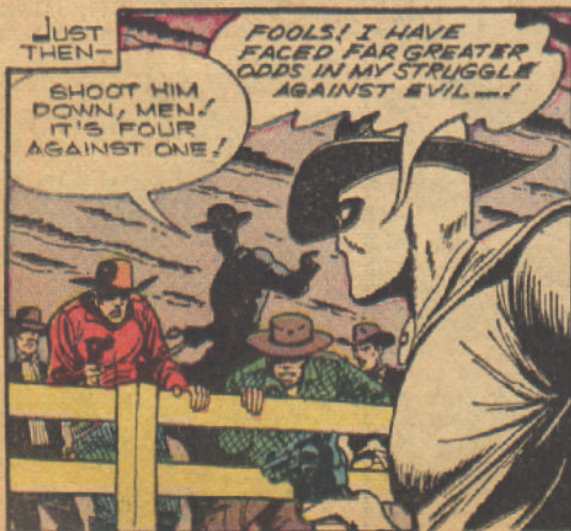
I LAY IN THE ARROYO ALL NIGHT, GRITTING MY TEETH WITH PAIN... BUT FORTUNATELY HEALED IN TIME FOR ME TO SAVE THIS GIRL'S LIFE.

STAND BACK, MISS—I'LL GET THE MAN WHO TRIED TO KILL YOU!

JUST THEN—

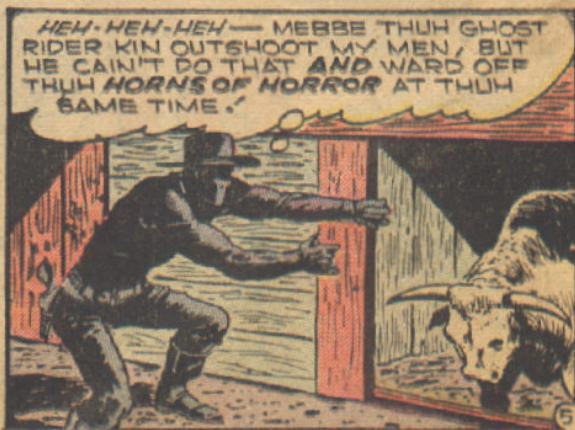
FOOLS! I HAVE FACED FAR GREATER ODDS IN MY STRUGGLE AGAINST EVIL...

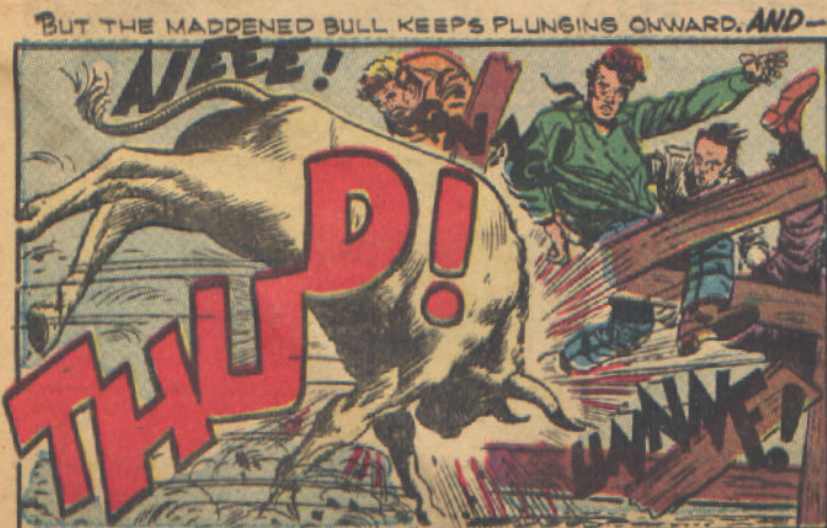
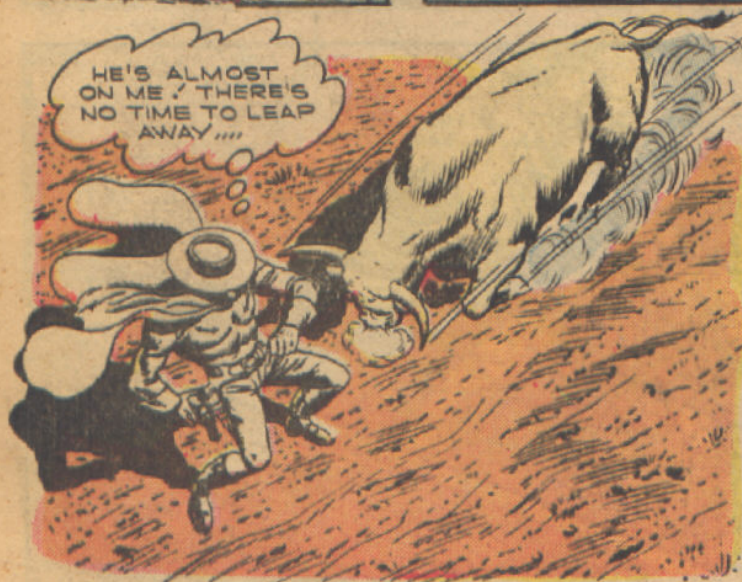
SHOOT HIM DOWN, MEN! IT'S FOUR AGAINST ONE!



BUT AS THE GHOST RIDER MATCHES SHOOTING SKILL WITH HIS ADVERSARIES, THEIR DIABOLIC LEADER IS OPENING A SECRET CORRAL!

HEH-HEH-HEH—MEEBEE THUH GHOST RIDER KIN OUTSHOOT MY MEN, BUT HE CAIN'T DO THAT AND WARD OFF THUH HORNS OF HORROR AT THUH SAME TIME.







**YOU CAN BE
THE GHOST RIDER!**

**ONLY
\$1⁰⁰**

**AMAZE YOUR FRIENDS
WITH THIS WEIRD SCARF
THAT BECOMES A REAL
GHOST RIDER MASK
THAT GLOWS IN THE DARK!**

A scarf
...with the name of
THE GHOST RIDER bannered
on it...and a **SPOOKY**
white mask that becomes a
GHOST RIDER SKULL when
the mask is tied on...



**MAIL
COUPON
AND
\$1⁰⁰**

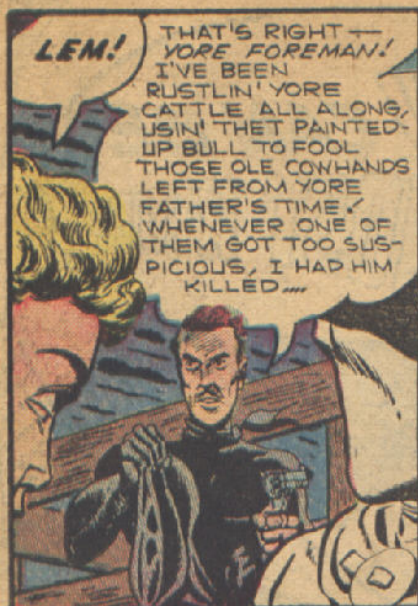
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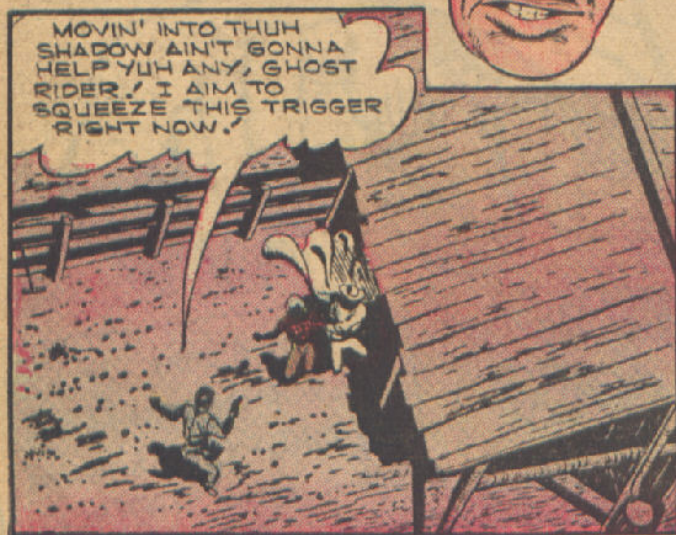
THAT'S RIGHT —
YORE FOREMAN!
I'VE BEEN
RUSTLIN' YORE
CATTLE ALL ALONG,
USIN' THET PAINTED-
UP BULL TO FOOL
THOSE OLE CONHANDS
LEFT FROM YORE
FATHER'S TIME!
WHENEVER ONE OF
THEM GOT TOO SUS-
PICIOUS, I HAD HIM
KILLED...

MY MEN WERE
ALWAYS STATIONED
RIGHT WHERE THUH
BULL CHARGED.
THEY PULLED HIM
IN AFTERWARDS,
AND MADE SURE
THET SOME OF
THE STAMPEDED
HERD ENDED UP
IN THUH BOX
CANYON WHERE
I'VE BEEN KEEPIN'
ALL THUH
RUSTLED
CATTLE...



BUT
THE
FLAMING
KNIFE —?

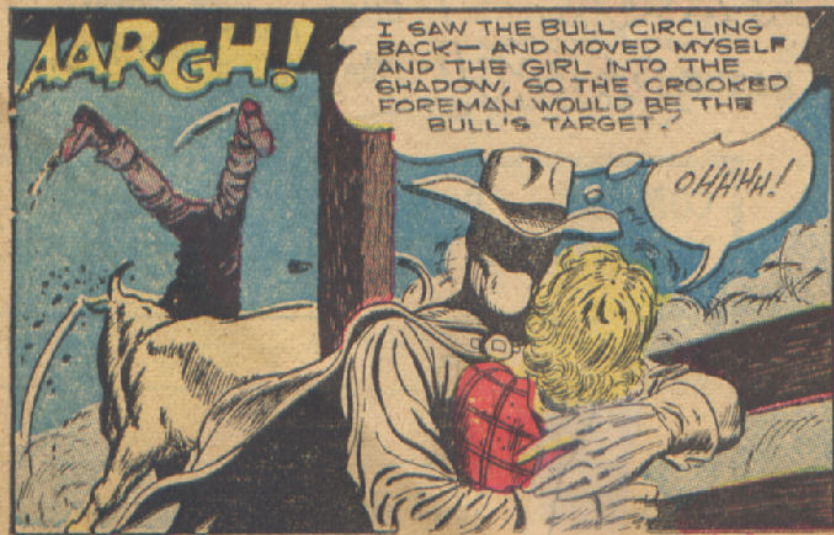
THET WAS EASY!
SOME GUNPOWDER
ON THUH TIP OF
THUH BLADE...
THUH REST OF
THUH BLADE
SMEARED WITH
OIL — AN' THUH
WHOLE THING
IGNITED BY A FLINT
ON MY FINGER AS I
THREW IT...



MOVIN' INTO THUH
SHADOW AIN'T GONNA
HELP YUH ANY, GHOST
RIDER! I AIM TO
SQUEEZE THIS TRIGGER
RIGHT NOW.



BUT
SUDDENLY—



AARGH!

I SAW THE BULL CIRCLING
BACK— AND MOVED MYSELF
AND THE GIRL INTO THE
SHADOW, SO THE CROOKED
FOREMAN WOULD BE THE
BULL'S TARGET.

OHhhh!



LATER—

CAN'T
YOU
STAY
AWHILE,
GHOST
RIDER?

NO... THE
GRAVE CALLS!
I MUST LIE
THERE IN
THE COLD
EARTH TILL
EVIL CALLS
ME FORTH
AGAIN.
FAREWELL...

THE
END

TIM HOLT

A FIVE DOLLAR GOLD PIECE FOR A PENNY! A DIAMOND FOR A DIME! ARE THESE THE ACTS OF A MADMAN? NO! FOR THESE ARE THE BARGAINS OF THE **PACK RAT**—ONE OF THE MOST NOTORIOUS AND CLEVER CRIMINALS OF THE ENTIRE WILD WEST. HE GIVES BETTER THAN HE TAKES! WHY? WHY?

ONLY **REDMASK** KNOWS THE ANSWER TO THAT, AS HE FIGHTS FRANTICALLY TO SOLVE THE RIDDLE OF THESE QUEER ROBBERIES, FOR HE KNOWS THAT DEATH WILL COME TO GET HIM—

**"WHEN
THE
PACK RAT
STRIKES!"**



DARK HANDS IN A DARK VAULT. A SINGLE COIN, A CHEAP PENNY IS LIFTED INTO THE LIGHT—AND A FIVE DOLLAR GOLD PIECE LEFT IN ITS PLACE...



AS DAWN FLOODS THE WESTERN COUNTRY AND GROWS TO EARLY MORNING—

"JIM, SOMEBODY BROKE IN AND STOLE AN OLD PENNY... AND LEFT THIS FIVE-DOLLAR GOLD PIECE IN ITS PLACE!"

"AW, YOU'RE LOGO...!"

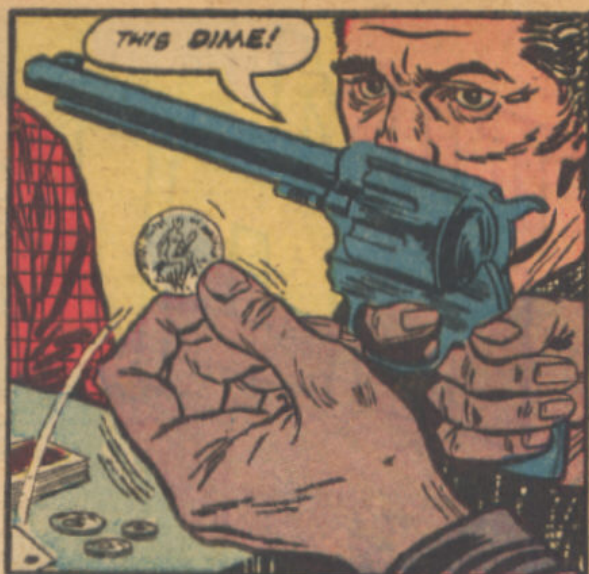


BUT ED CLEAVES IS NOT LOCO! NOR IS THE
PACK RAT—EVEN THOUGH—TWO NIGHTS
LATER—

DON'T MOVE A FINGER, ANY OF
YOU! ONE OF YOU GENTLEMEN HAS
SOMETHING I MUST OWN!



THIS DIME!



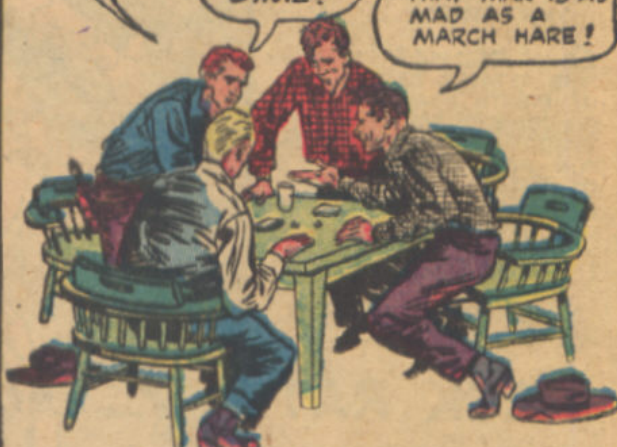
BUT THE PACK RAT DOESN'T STEAL
WITHOUT LEAVING SOMETHING IN PLACE
OF THE STOLEN OBJECT—SO TAKE
THIS!



WHAT IS
IT, MAC?

WHAT'D HE
GIVE YOU
IN PLACE
OF THE
DIME?

A DIAMOND!
A GREAT BIG
BLUE WHITE
DIAMOND! BOYS—
THAT MAN IS AS
MAD AS A
MARCH HARE!



THE WORD SPREADS LIKE WILD FIRE IN THE
DRY SEASON...

HEAR WHAT HAPPENED,
REDMASK? PACK RAT BOUGHT
A DIME FOR A DIAMOND!

HOPE HE
STEALS SOME-
THIN' FROM
ME, AN
LEAVES AN
EMERALD!



IN ALL THE BULLET COUNTRY, ONLY TWO
MEN ARE WORRIED...!

I DON'T LIKE IT, SHERIFF! THIS 'PACK RAT' IS
NO FOOL! HE'S
AFTER SOMETHING
BIG!

AN' THEM LOCO TOWNS-
FOLK DON'T MAKE IT ANY
EASIER FOR US! THEY WANT
HIM TO ROB 'EM—AND GIVE
'EM A HUNDRED TIMES
OR MORE ITS
VALUE!







THANKS, LADY! JUST FOR BEING A GOOD GIRL, I'M NOT GOING TO STEAL VERY MUCH. ONLY A QUARTER —



—AND FOR THIS QUARTER-DOLLAR, I PAY YOU FIFTY DOLLARS IN SILVER!



AFTER THE PACK RAT GALLOPS OFF, LAUGHING WILDLY...

I'M SO SORRY, REDMASK!

FORGET IT, MA'AM! ...SO HE TOOK A QUARTER FROM YOU? I WISH I KNEW WHY...



A PENNY!

A DIME?

WHY?

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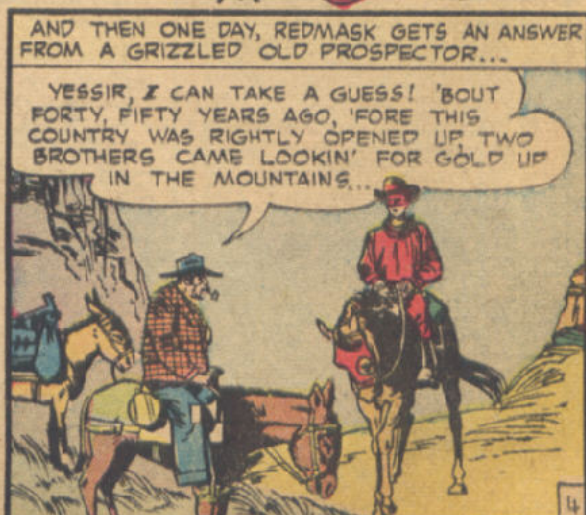
WHY?

A QUARTER!



HERE AND THERE RIDES REDMASK. HE ASKS RANCHERS AND PROSPECTORS, DANCE-HALL GIRLS AND STAGECOACH DRIVERS THE SAME QUESTION.

CAN YOU GUESS WHY ANYONE SHOULD STEAL THESE COINS?



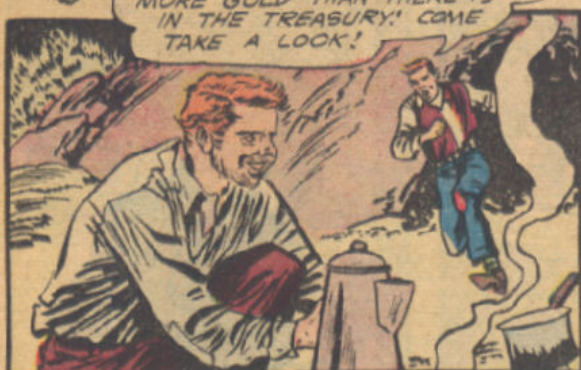
AND THEN ONE DAY, REDMASK GETS AN ANSWER FROM A GRIZZLED OLD PROSPECTOR...

YESSIR, I CAN TAKE A GUESS! 'BOUT FORTY, FIFTY YEARS AGO, 'FORE THIS COUNTRY WAS RIGHTLY OPENED UP, TWO BROTHERS CAME LOOKIN' FOR GOLD UP IN THE MOUNTAINS...

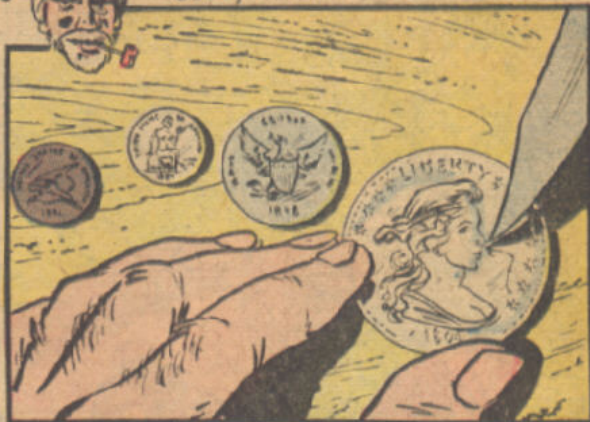


"THEM TWO BROTHERS STUMBLED ON THE BIGGEST GOLD VEIN IN THESE HERE UNITED STATES..."

BILL! BILL! I'VE FOUND IT! MORE GOLD THAN THERE IS IN THE TREASURY! COME TAKE A LOOK!

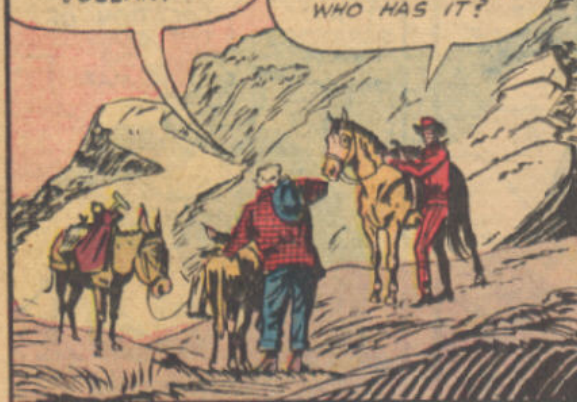


"WELL, SIR, THEM BROTHERS MADE THEIRSELVES A MAP, SO THE STORY GOES, SCRATCHED ON FOUR COINS—"



A PENNY... A DIME... A QUARTER... A SILVER DOLLAR!

MANY THANKS, OLD TIMER!... A SILVER DOLLAR REMAINS—BUT WHO HAS IT?



SOME HOURS LATER, ON THE ROAD TO BULLET...

NO SENSE RUNNING, LADY! I'VE SPENT MONEY TO TRACE DOWN THOSE FOUR COINS YOUR GRANDFATHER AND GRANDUNCLE MARKED THAT MAP ON! I'M NOT GOING TO LOSE IT NOW!



FOR A MOMENT, GIRL AND PACK RAT ARE LOCKED IN A SILENT STRUGGLE...

GOT THE MONEY-BELT—WHERE YOU KEEP THE SILVER DOLLAR!

NO! NO! GIVE IT BACK TO ME! GRANDFATHER LEFT IT TO ME... HOPING I'D BE ABLE TO FIND THE GOLD WITHOUT THE OTHER COINS...



ATTRACTED BY THE SCREAMS OF THE TERRIFIED GIRL, REDMASK—RIDING BACK FROM HIS MEETING WITH THE PROSPECTOR—HURTLES INTO THE CUNNING THIEF—



IN A MOMENT, THE TWO MEN ROLL OVER AND OVER, FIGHTING VICIOUSLY...



WITH A DESPERATE WRENCH OF MUSCLES, THE PACK RAT HURLS REDMASK BACK AND FLEES...



GOT THE SILVER DOLLAR! NOW I GOT TO GET AWAY FROM THAT RED DEVIL—!

—BY BLOWING UP THE BRIDGE SO HE CAN'T CROSS OVER TO THIS SIDE OF THE CANYON!



A SPLIT SECOND LATER—



HE GOT AWAY AGAIN! BUT THIS IS WORSE THAN BEFORE! NOW HE HAS THE COIN HE NEEDS TO COMPLETE HIS MAP— AND WE'VE NO WAY OF KNOWING WHAT THAT MAP WILL REVEAL!



I REMEMBER THE SILVER DOLLAR, REDMASK. IT HAD SCRATCHES ON IT!

DRAW THEM FOR ME. MAYBE I'LL BE ABLE TO GUESS THE LOCATION OF THE GOLD FROM THE DOLLAR MAP ALONE...



THE LAST SCRATCH OF ALL WAS AN ARROW, POINTING TO THE WOMAN'S NOSE...

OF COURSE! SQUAW'S NOSE! A CAVE BACK IN THE RIPSAN MOUNTAINS!



IT'S JUST A GUESS— BUT IT'S THE ONLY CHANCE WE HAVE!





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WE'LL TAKE A LOOK AROUND. I DON'T HOLD OUT MUCH HOPE, THOUGH!

FOR HALF AN HOUR, REDMASK AND THE GIRL HUNT FRANTICALLY, WITHOUT ANY LUCK —



IT'S NO USE! I GUESS MY HUNCH THAT IT WAS SQUAW'S NOSE WHERE THE GOLD MINE WAS IS A BUM ONE! — LISTEN!

JUST THEN —

THAT SOUND WE HEARD CAME FROM HERE! IT'S THE PACK RAT!



YOU!!

YOU WANTED GOLD — HERE IT IS!



FISTS THUD HOME ON FACES AND RIBS! PANTING FOR BREATH, THE EMBATTLED MEN GO BACK AND BACK —



AND THEN, AS THE PACK RAT REACHES FOR A HIDDEN GUN —



HE SANK LIKE A STONE! THE GOLD HE LOADED INTO THOSE SPECIALLY DESIGNED POTS AND PANS WILL DROWN HIM — JUST AS IF HE'D WRAPPED A GOLDEN ANCHOR AROUND HIS BODY!



THE END

the DURANGO KID

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ART BY FRED GUARDINER



THE DURANGO KID HAS JUST BROUGHT IN ANOTHER OWLHOOT!

TICKLE MUH WHISKERS- THET'S THUH THIRD OWLHOOT THIS WEEK!

YAHOO! THREE CHEERS FER DURANGO!

DUNNO WHUT WED WITHOUT THET MAN!



COME ON, BOYS- LET'S ALL GO HAVE A DRINK ON THIS!

NOW, NOW, BOYS- YOU KNOW I NEVER TOUCH THE STUFF!

AW, COME ON, DURANGO- JUST THIS ONCE! IT'S A SPECIAL CELEBRATION! BE A SPORT!

WEE-EU! ALL RIGHT- JUST THIS ONCE!



DOWN SHE GOES! HURRAY FER DURANGO!

A FEW MINUTES LATER... I KNOW, MULEY-BUT SOMETHING'S **WRONG**. I DON'T FEEL TOO WELL-EVER SINCE I TOOK THAT DRINK 1-1-TOGETHER TOO MUCH.



I CAN'T FIGGER IT OUT. HE'S IN A KIND OF **COMA**-HIS HEART'S HARDLY BEATIN'! GOLLY, I GOTTA DO **SOMETHIN'**! HYAR COMES SOMEBODY-MEBBE THEY KIN HELP!

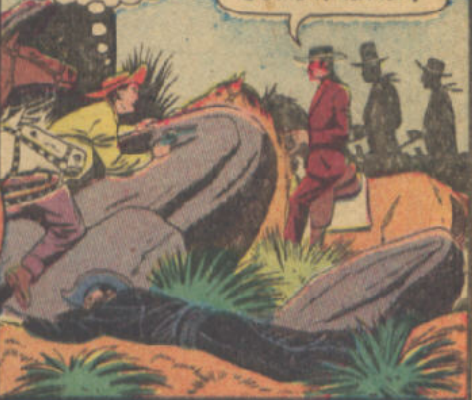


BUT WAIT A MINUTE -I CAN'T DO THET! THEY'D FIND OUT WHO DURANGO IS! I GOTTA KEEP 'IM UNDER COVER-FIGGER OUT SOME OTHER WAY...



IT'S BUTCH BURLEY, OWNER OF THE SALOON-AND TWO OF HIS BOUNCERS.

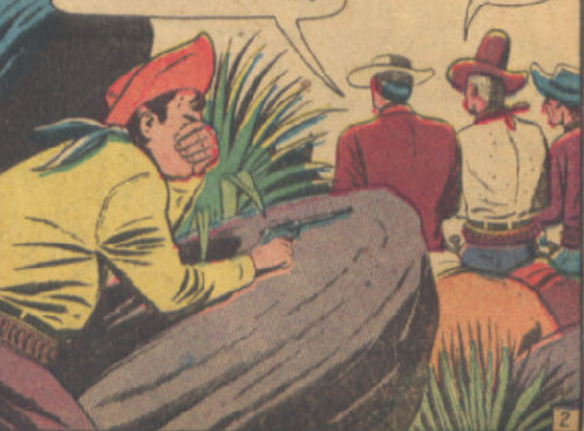
WE OUGHTA FIND DURANGO 'ROUND ABOUT HYAR, BOYS! GUESS HE'S LYIN' IN THUH MIDDLE O' THUH ROAD SOMEWHERE!

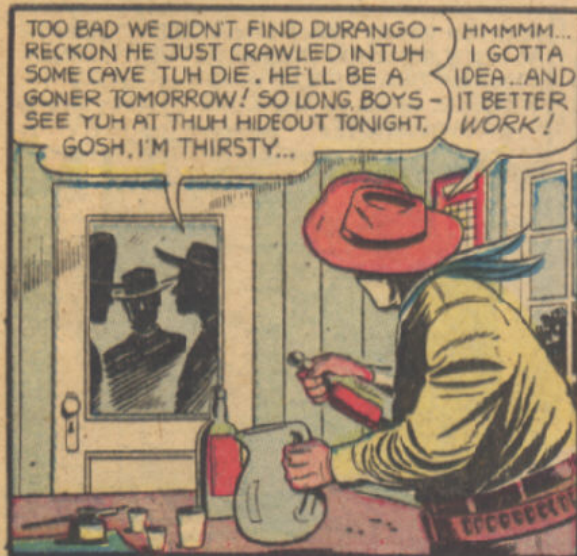


THET WAS SOME **KICK** I PUT IN HIS DRINK... THET INJUN POTION THEY CALL "**STING O' DEATH!**" DURANGO WILL FALL ASLEEP AN' AFTER TWENTY-FOUR HOURS HE'LL **DIE!** THAR'S ONLY **ONE** THING THET KIN CURE IT...



...AN' I'M THE **ONLY** HOMBRE WHO KNOWS WHAR TO GIT IT! WITH DURANGO OUT O' THUH WAY, WE KIN GRAB OFF EVERY STEER IN THUH AREA-**HAW-HAW-HAW!**







BUTCH BURLEY GALLOPS FOR HIS HIDEOUT IN THE HILLS...



IF YOU DRANK THE STING-OF DEATH MORE THAN TEN MINUTE'S AGO-YOU WOULD BE **UNCONSCIOUS** NOW! BUT YOU LOOK ALL RIGHT TO ME.

IT WAS A **TRICK!** I GUESS I LOST MUH HEAD. THET MULEY PIKE JEST WANTED TUH GIT HIS HANDS ON THUH CURE-FOR DURANGO, I'LL BET... WHY, THUH DIRTY--!



WHUT'S UP, BOSS?

PLENTY! RIDE LIKE YUH NEVER RODE BEFORE. MULEY PIKE WENT THAT WAY-- AND I WANT HIM DEAD!



YUH WANT HIM, DAID-- AN' DAID IS THUH WAY YUH'LL GIT 'IM, BOSS!

THAR HE IS-- COMIN' OVER THEY RISE! SHOOT, SPEED!

BANG!

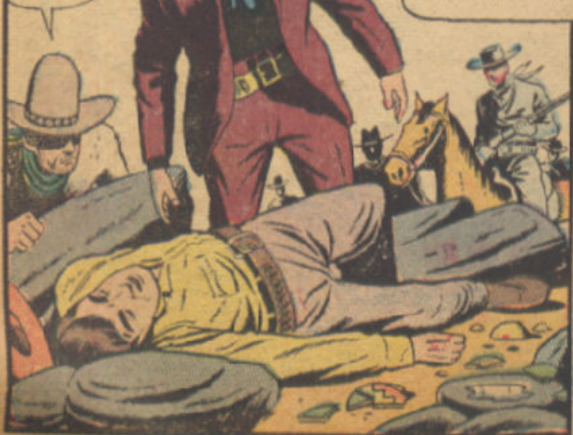


GOT 'IM!

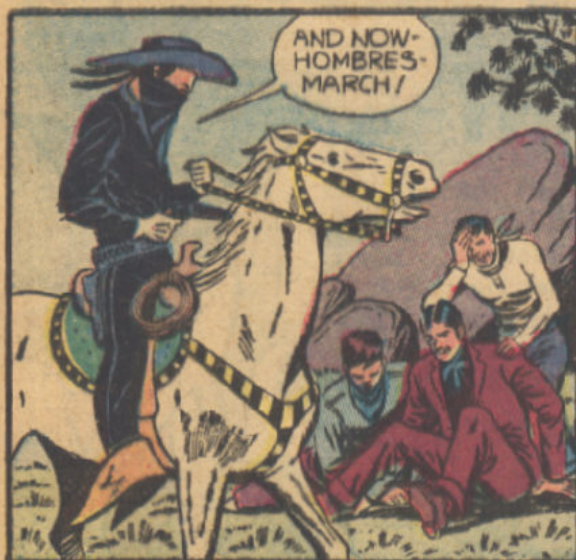
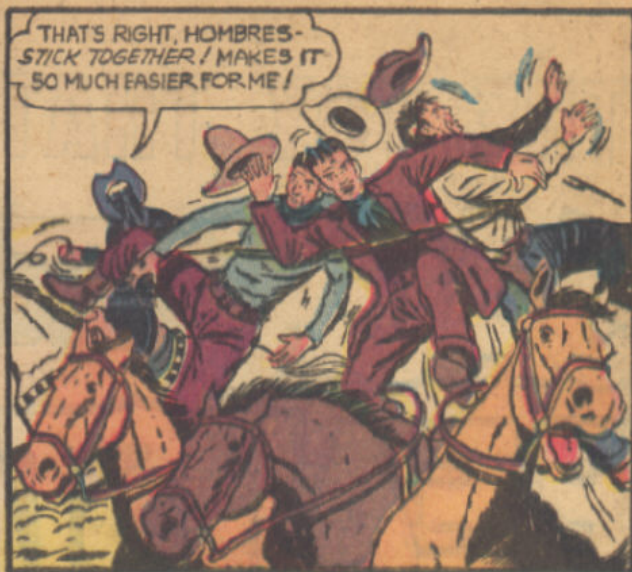


HE'S DAID, ALL RIGHT! GOT IT IN THUH HEAD!

TOO BAD THAT BOTTLE BROKE ALL OVER THE PLACE. WELL--**NUTHIN'** KIN SAVE DURANGO NOW! LET'S GO, BOYS--WE'LL START THE FIRST RUSTLIN' RAID RIGHT NOW!







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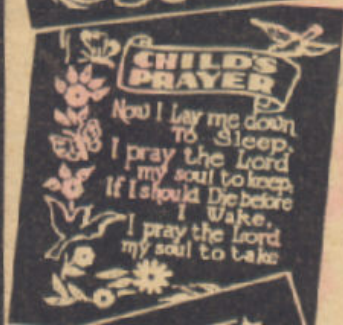
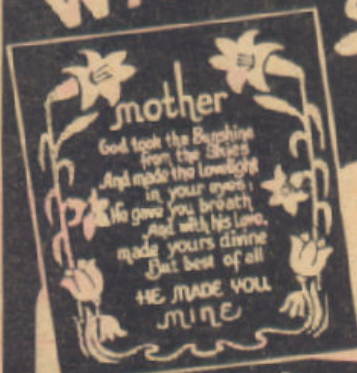
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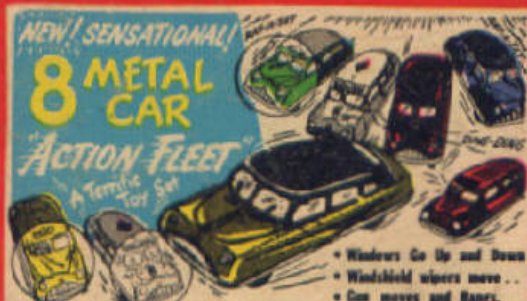
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